

To the People of Kansas, Greeting.

We have the pleasure, this week, of presenting our readers with the first number of the "Chief." Its publication has been delayed a month longer than we anticipated, from various causes, each sufficiently vexatious in itself, but over which we had no control. However, we trust none of our patrons will be losers by it, as we hope to make the paper fully as useful to them, as if it had been commenced at an earlier day.

We do not deem it necessary to say much in regard to the course we intend to pursue, preferring to let the paper speak for itself. In regard to the great political question upon which the people of this Territory are divided, we have a decided preference for one side; but in conducting our paper, we shall endeavor to steer clear of politics altogether—at least until peace and good will are restored between the different parties in the Territory, which it shall be our earnest endeavor to promote.

We believe this portion of Kansas to be unsurpassed in beauty, fertility and health, by any other portion of country on the face of the globe, and that it only requires peace and a fair chance to settlers, to render it a rich and densely populated country. It shall be our endeavor to set forth all the advantages of our country to the honest settler, and to do all that lies within our humble ability, to afford instruction, entertainment and amusement to all classes. Hoping to be useful in our way, and to receive encouragement sufficient to warrant a permanent location in this beautiful country, we start out in our mission, with kindly greetings to all.

THANKS.—We tender our sincere thanks to our numerous friends, who have interested themselves in getting subscribers for us, and exerted their influence in favor of the Chief. This obligation is the more deeply felt, as we were, at the time they were interesting themselves so much in our behalf, an entire stranger to them all. We would particularly mention the name of Dr. H. W. PETER, of Oregon, who procured us a very large list of subscribers, and a great number of advertisements from the business men of Oregon, St. Joseph and St. Louis, and otherwise lent his influence in our behalf. He is a whole team. JOHN H. HARRIS, of the same town, has also done much to push forward the good work; together with numerous others of the right stripe.

PROSPECTUSES.—Quite a number of our Prospectuses are yet out. Will those holding them please report forthwith? We desire to transfer the names to our subscription book, and regulate our weekly edition thereby; and no doubt those whose names are upon them, wish to have the paper from its commencement. We have printed off a large number of extra copies, this week; but very many have been spoken for, and if outstanding Prospectuses are not returned soon, those whose names they contain, cannot be supplied with copies of the first issue. Of course, as our terms require payment in advance, those whose names are already on our books, will remit as soon as they receive the first number.

TO ADVERTISERS.—As our paper has a large circulation throughout this portion of the Territory, business men who depend upon the back country for much of their custom, would find it to their advantage to avail themselves of our columns, to advertise their business. The patronage of the Kansas settlers is well worth contending for.

We would request those wishing to send advertisements, that they state the length of time they wish them continued. By doing this, and by consulting our paper, on the fourth page, they may avoid disagreeable misunderstandings which often arise in matters of this kind.

We send our paper, this week, to many who are not subscribers. We hope they will examine it carefully, and if they are pleased with it, send us Two Dollars, with their name, and Post-Office address. We want to increase our subscription and advertising patronage sufficiently to justify us in enlarging our paper, in the course of six months or a year; and at all events, we would be pleased to have the name of every settler in Northern Kansas, Southern Nebraska, and North-Western Missouri, on our subscription book. To all those, we want to make our paper especially interesting.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—Communications on any subject of general interest, free from objectionable matter, will always be fully received. We should be glad to have frequent communications from Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri, descriptions of the country, items of local history, adventures, and all of interest in regard to these western portions of the Union.

JOE WOOD.—We are prepared to execute Job Work of every description necessary in this section of country.—Engraving Portraits, Handbills, Circulars, Labels, Bill Heads, Tickets, and all of the kind.

WHITE-CLOUD.

This place is situated on the West bank of the Missouri River, in the Northern part of Kansas, some three or four miles from the Nebraska line, 615 miles from St. Louis, by the River, and about sixty miles above St. Joseph. It is named after White Cloud, the celebrated Chief of the Iowa, who formerly resided in this neighborhood, and upon the lands of which tribe, the town is located. So favorable a location is rarely met with on the Missouri River, whose channel is constantly changing, and to-day rendering a dismal looking sand-bar, what yesterday was a good landing. In this respect, White Cloud is exceedingly well situated—the landing being permanent, (a great part of it rock), and perfectly accessible by boats of the largest size, at all seasons of the year when the River is open, and at any stage of water. The landing is not confined to narrow limits, but is the same for at least a mile. The ground rises gradually from the River, until it opens into one of the most beautiful prairies in the world, stretching for miles Westwardly, and embracing soil unsurpassed for richness by any on the globe.

One of the greatest advantages possessed by White Cloud, is its favorable situation with reference to the back country. It lies some four miles farther West than any other River town in the Territory, and is very easy of access. This back country will undoubtedly be as densely populated as any other portion of the West, and the position of White Cloud cannot fail to draw all the trade of this vast region, which will be immense. Here will be their shipping point, and here will their surplus produce come, to find a market.

All who visit this place, are delighted with its beautiful and advantageous site. The land is yet the property of the Indians, but the sales commence this week, and there is no doubt that a good and perfect title will be obtained. After that, the work will go ahead in earnest. The Town Company is composed of men of wealth, influence and energy, who will spare no effort to advance the prosperity of the town. We are assured that the same course will not be pursued, as in numerous other Western towns—they will not run up the price of lots beyond a poor man's means to purchase. They wish to encourage the settlement of mechanics of every kind—indeed, they are already badly needed. The sooner such persons come here, the better it will be for them, as the price of property must necessarily be constantly on the rise.

Added to the other advantages of the place, and the greatest of them all, is the exceeding healthfulness of the location. Sickness is rare here now, and is nearly the same throughout the season. One needs but to see White Cloud, to be seized with a longing to live here.

THE GREAT PACIFICATOR.—We do not pretend to say that the time has come when "the wolf and the lamb shall lie down together, and the lion shall eat straw like an ox," but it seems as if powder and fire were in a fair way of concluding a treaty of peace and amity. Col. LANE has been sleeping with Dr. STRINFELLOW; and the Doniphan Constitutionalist, one of that class of papers which, less than a year since, were offering a reward for LANE's head, has been puffing him, and quoting his opinion, to show that Doniphan is a very desirable point. Since these things have come to pass, the Free State papers of the East are very severe upon Lane, and term him the "hero-traitor." The redoubtable Colonel has always been more popular in the East, than he has been in Kansas, the scene of his exploits; and now his Eastern friends are the first to denounce him. They should remember that speculation is the great leveller, out here, and that elements heretofore antagonistic, are brought lovingly together by this mighty pacificator. Wars and rumors of wars have ceased, and all the restless spirits, who so lately kept the Territory in an uproar, have no eyes for anything else than speculation. No matter what a man's intention may be in coming here—whether it be to preach, practice, rob, work, print, or loaf—he will stand a good chance of finding himself engaged in some speculation, before he is here a month. In order to speculate in earnest, one must be willing to eat, sleep and associate with everybody—then, who can blame LANE and STRINFELLOW for being mortal?

THE CHIEF. This week, is not as interesting, in the way of general news, as the reader may desire. Our patrons must bear with us for a short time—we expect soon to have a good exchange list, regular mail facilities, and numerous correspondents, when we shall be able to make as interesting a sheet as any in the Territory.

THE NEW YORKERS are not yet through with making a fuss over the De-han and Boker affair—and all this hullabaloo, because one of the parties married, happened to be a servant. Why, we have known marriages when both parties were servants, and no fuss at all was made over it. These New Yorkers are queer people.

MRS. CUNNINGHAM, charged with the murder of Dr. BURDELL, in New York, has had her trial, and been acquitted. ECKEL, her supposed accomplice, has been released.

Our Advertisements.

In our columns will be found a number of advertisements, which the reader is requested to peruse carefully. We will say, in the beginning, that when you wish to purchase an article, look in the News-paper, and see who advertise—they are the ones to deal with. When a man is neither too stingy nor ashamed to tell the public, through the paper, what he is doing, or what he has to sell, you may rest assured there is the place for bargains. Now, for the Advertisements:

JENNINGS & BRIGGS, of this place, have a large stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, &c., and are doing a smashing business. Call there for anything you want. They are receiving goods by nearly every boat that comes up the River, and their business alone would give a boat constant employment between here and St. Louis.

Those contemplating building this season, and wishing to employ a Carpenter and Joiner, have only to call upon Mr. B. BOWERS, in this place. He is doing a wholesale business in the building line.

THE WHITE CLOUD TOWN COMPANY want One Million of Brick made and burnt, this season, and will pay the highest prices to any one who may take the job.

JOHN H. UTT is about putting up a new Steam Saw Mill here, (Double Circular), and wants 2,000 Saw Logs, and 2,000 Cord of Wood, for which he will pay good prices, if delivered at this place.

If you want Chairs, or Household Furniture, of any description, you have only to go to the shop of KAUCHER & JESTER, in Oregon, where you will "get your money back." Although they have a Jester in the shop, they are not jesting, when they tell you that they can accommodate you in the best style, to anything in their line.

PETER, FRAZER & Co., of Oregon, have an extensive Dry Goods Store, and a Drug Store adjoining. They have as handsome an establishment as can be found in the Western country, and they are the right sort of men to deal with. Call, and take a glass of delicious, cooling Soda Water.

See here, friend; it is time you were getting a stock of Summer Clothing. Do you know where to get it? Go to J. J. RULEY & Co., at the Post Office, in Oregon, where you can get anything of the kind you may want.

Hello! stranger—what time have you? Oh, your watch is out of repair, and you don't know where to get it fixed. Well, just go over to Oregon, and call upon Mr. GEORGE P. LOCKHART, where the thing can be done in "order and condition." But don't tell your wife what a fine lot of Jewelry he has, or she will go to see it; and when she once sees it, she can't keep from buying.

Do you want Drugs or Medicines? Then, the next time you go to Oregon, call at the Drug Store of DANIEL ZOOK. If you don't buy, it will be your own fault.

When the merchants from this part of the country, next go to St. Louis for Goods, they will find it to their advantage to call upon SHAPLEIGH, DAY & Co., 103 Main Street, for their stock of Hardware and Cutlery.

Every person who has buildings or goods of value, should, by all means, have them insured. They will find the NEBRASKA CITY INSURANCE COMPANY, a good institution for this purpose.

THE HOWARD ASSOCIATION, of Philadelphia, is a very good institution for medical treatment of an important character.

THE MARRIAGE GUIDE, by Dr. WM. YOUNG, of Philadelphia, is said to be a good work.

If you want any Auctioneering done, or desire to make any Real Estate or Stock transactions, DOLMAN & WIST, of St. Joseph, are reliable men to transact all such business.

OR LUKENS & BOYD, of the same place, who have just formed a co-partnership, can attend to any Real Estate transactions that may be intrusted to them.

OR, MR. JEFF. THOMPSON, of the same city of St. Jo., can perform any of the above business as well as the best.

The afflicted, who desire to employ a reliable Physician, will find such an one in Dr. M. LAMMER, of Oregon.

Those wishing to lay in a stock of good Liquors, can suit themselves by calling at the establishment of E. A. DAMON & Co., No. 172 Second Street, between Green and Morgan, St. Louis.

And, if they desire to procure a stock of Books, Papers, Stationery, &c., &c., the place for them to go is to the store of L. & A. CASE, No. 49 North Main Street, St. Louis.

If you have a notion of getting a Watch, Jewelry, Cutlery, Musical Instruments, fancy article, or such like, you cannot do better than by calling upon C. E. BALDWIN, of St. Joseph.

STANFORD, BUT TRUE.—We have it from undoubted authority, that there is a man living not far from here, who does not own a single town share in the Territory, and consequently has no interest in the place which is bound to make the most important town on the Missouri River!

We issue our paper some days in advance of the date, in order to be able to do considerable fixing up, and get the next issue out in proper time. We expect to issue the paper regularly, and there is nothing like a good start.

NEW TOWNS.—A company of Capitalists from Buncombe County, North Carolina, have recently arrived in the Territory, and purchased a Gopher hole, in a high bluff on the river, where they have laid out a new town, which they have appropriately named Gopher City. The place already contains a first-class whiskey shop, (kept by a church member in good standing,) a gas mill, one dry goods store, (dry enough, in all conscience,) one ox-team, three speculators' offices, and one private residence. A large Hotel is just being finished, where persons can obtain the best of accommodations, at ten dollars per week, and find themselves! The town must necessarily become the most important point on the Missouri River, above New Orleans! A glance at the Town Plat, which can be seen in all country groceries throughout the Union, will convince any one of this fact. It has a permanent landing at all seasons, as the bluff, during high waters, is very near the river. It will certainly be the terminus of the Wind Line and Gasport Railroad, and the entire country back to the Pacific Ocean must necessarily be dependent upon it for supplies of grog and tobacco. One great advantage possessed by this City, is that from the bluff you can see the towns of Hard-scrabble and Groun-thog's Glory. A vast amount of building is talked of, this Summer, and persons desirous of purchasing shares, would do well to invest soon, as there is great excitement in regard to the place, and every time a stranger inquires the price of shares, they advance fifty per cent. A steamboat ran aground opposite the place, a few days ago, and lay there one day and night, during which time the price of shares was doubled. Persons wishing to invest, will call at the office of Messrs. BLOW & SKINNER, Bullfrog Street, Gopher City.

We have received no lot nor town share for this puff; therefore, it may be relied upon.

QUITE A CHANGE.—The Squatter Sovereign, published at Atchison, formerly under the control of Dr. STRINFELLOW, and one of the most uncompromising Pro-Slavery papers in the Union, has recently changed hands and politics. It is now an ardent Free State Organ. It appears that the late publishers could not make it pay. The following is their Valdictory, in which, it will be seen, they are rather severe upon the South:

VALDICTORY.—The office of the Squatter Sovereign has passed into the hands of other publishers. In making this transfer, we experience no inconsiderable degree of reluctance, but we are thoroughly convinced that it is the only step that we could take to save ourselves from great pecuniary sacrifice. This we would be unable to do, to sustain and publish a paper. We have repeatedly called upon the South for aid, and our response has been a "moniesless" one. We were at last reduced to one of two alternatives—to surrender upon advantageous terms, or to be carried by storm, and our arms and equipments become the property of war. We have chosen the former, believing that no just reason existed why we should longer expose ourselves as an emaciated specimen of the ingratitude of the South.

The new editors are R. McBRATNEY and S. C. POMEROY. In their introductory, they say that they shall "mildly but firmly advocate the exclusion of Slavery from the Territory." Mr. McBRATNEY, we presume, is the same who formerly edited the Xenia (Ohio) Torch-light.

THE ELECTION—A QUESTION.—The election for Delegates to the Constitutional Convention, is near at hand. As yet, we have heard of no candidates for Delegates, and scarcely anything is said in regard to the election. Secretary Stanton, now acting as Governor, has declared it as his conviction, that Kansas will be a Free State, and says the laws must be observed, as enacted by the Legislature; and we believe the Free State men still adhere to their determination not to participate in the election, nor in anywise sanction the doings of the Legislature. Now, all these things will not tally together, and one of three things is pretty certain—that is, the Free State men will get over the notion of not voting, and all go to the polls; or the Pro-Slavery men will form a Free State Constitution; or else Mr. Secretary STANTON says what he does not mean, or is pretty badly mistaken. As the election law is to be enforced, and in that law no provision is made for submitting the Constitution to a vote of the people, all the horns of the dilemma are plainly visible.

THE WEATHER.—We have had strange weather, this Spring—and, as far as we can learn, it is similar all over the country. On the 17th of April, we had a snow storm that would have done honor to February; and up to the middle of May, the weather out-Marched early March. But it is getting pleasant once more, and vegetation and the farmers are improving their opportunities. As a pretty good sign that warm weather is about fairly setting in, we notice that the frogs have commenced their engagement for the season, and the Indians have quit wearing clothes—two certain prognostications of nice weather.

AGENT IN OREGON.—If any of the citizens of Oregon, Mo., desire to transact business with us, such as remitting money, subscribing for our paper, advertising, or getting Job Work done, etc., and have not time to call upon us personally, they can leave their favors with Mr. J. J. RULEY, the gentlemanly Postmaster at that place, who is our authorized Agent, for the transaction of any business of the above description.

THE SOMBRE LOOKING STEAMER "Mink," passed up the river, a few days ago. She is a Government boat, and is bound for the head waters of the Missouri, up among the mountains. She carries supplies to the different forts in that region, and will make various trips between the different stations. She goes up for the season—perhaps for a whole year.

THE LAND SALES.—The sale of the Iowa Trust Lands commences on Wednesday, the 3d inst., at Iowa Point, in this country. There will be a very large attendance, no difficulties, it is to be hoped. There is probably not a single quarter section of these lands now unclaimed, but there is yet great uncertainty as to whether actual settlers will be permitted to bid them off at the appraised value. Justice would require that this should be done. Such was the case at the sale of the Delaware lands, and the settlers on these lands should have an equal chance with them. Besides, all the hard work has devolved upon the Squatters, who have nearly all made improvements upon their claims—they are generally men of moderate means, and would be utterly unable to compete with the speculators, if the lands should be run up to the highest bids, which would render the Squatters homeless, and drive off the only ones who are taking steps to settle up the country. Such a course, it is plain to see, would be productive of untold difficulties; but better things are to be hoped for.

We have just seen a handbill, announcing the rules to be observed at the sale. Actual settlers will be permitted to bid off their claims at their appraised value; but no one will be permitted to hold a claim or bid one off for another. No person can hold more than a single claim; and he must have made improvements upon it, such as to warrant the probability that he intends it as a permanent homestead. He must make oath that such is his intention, and produce reliable witnesses.

A GOOD SIGN.—It is said to be a good sign of prosperity, when one has jealous neighbors. If so, White Cloud must be on the broad road to prosperity—indeed, we think there is entirely too much jealousy exhibited in some quarters. There are people who will not admit that they know of such a place as White Cloud, and are yet in a constant stew, least the town should grow faster than they like. We met such folks on the boat, during our journey to this Territory. We inquired about White Cloud, but they knew nothing of such a place. We told them that there must surely be such a place, as we had correspondents there, and were on our way there, to go into business. Then they suddenly recollected that there was a place called as White Cloud, in the upper part of the Territory—they believed they had been within three miles of it once; but it was going to nothing—there were three or four new towns starting on the river, and most of the people were leaving White Cloud, and going to said new towns. Our friends concluded by advising us to stop in their town; but we concluded to come and see for ourselves. Render, go thou and do likewise.

CITIES.—Strangers have no idea how thickly settled Kansas already is. The towns are spread over her surface as thickly as fleas on a dog's back. We said towns—we meant to say cities; for we have nothing but cities out here—and the proprietors are bound to let people know it, too; for they stick city to the name of every town. We venture to say, there is scarcely a store or tavern in the Union, in which there is not posted in a conspicuous place, Town Plats of some large city in Kansas or Nebraska, a majority of which do not contain a single house! Travellers out here are not aware, unless they are told, that they are passing through cities every few miles of their journey—such as Tapole City, Prairie City, Opossum City, et cetera. Each one, of course, is bound to make the most important place in the West!

THE POISONING CASE, at the National Hotel, in Washington, is still a matter of much comment. It is getting to be pretty generally surmised, and many circumstances go to establish the fact, that the poisoning was not accidental, but was a deliberate attempt to kill off President BUCHANAN. From present appearances, a thorough official investigation of the matter will yet be ordered. It is getting to be, in these days of bitter partisanship, as unsafe for a man to be elected President of the United States, as it formerly was for one to become Emperor of Rome, or at present, of France. Hereafter, when a man is elected to the Presidency, his business should be, before taking his seat, to make his will, and prepare for death!

THE MAILS.—As yet, we are not blessed with arrangements for regular mails, but steps have been taken to effect this desirable object. The Department has been written to, in regard to establishing regular mail routes to and from this point, and it is hoped the favor will be speedily granted.

While on the subject of mails, we would suggest to the people of the back country, that they forthwith petition the Department to establish Post Offices at all the towns throughout that beautiful region, together with regular mail routes. There is no inconvenience greater than the want of regular mails.

LAND AGENCY.—PETER & MCGARVEY have just opened an Agency office at this place, for the transaction of Real Estate business of every description. Their thorough acquaintance with the Western country, and their superior business qualifications, will render them safe and reliable persons to intrust with any transactions in their line.

COME AND SEE FOR YOURSELVES.—We know that it has become a fixed practice for the proprietors and friends of every new town in the West, to set forth its advantages over every other place, and to proclaim elements of prosperity which they can never possess. So fixed has this practice become, that persons wishing to invest, have become wary, and will not take stock until they see the place. This is just what we want them to do in regard to White Cloud. No matter how often we might set forth the advantages of the situation of our town, it would not induce many to settle here, from the fact that as much is said in favor of every new town in the West. Then, come and see—and see to your entire satisfaction. We shall not, as is done by people of some other places, attempt to disparage neighboring or rival towns, in order to help ours along—she needs no such help as that. There are many new towns in this part of the country, and some of them possess good sites and superior advantages. There are Mound City and Forest City, in Missouri; Bulo, and other towns, in Nebraska; and Doniphan, Atchison, Iowa Point, Columbus, Buffalo, Claytonville, Padonia, Marysville, Falls City, Lodianna, and many other places, in Kansas. Go and see them all, before you come here—examine their sites, their position, and their advantages in reference to river trade and that of the back country. After seeing them all, then come and take a look at White Cloud. You certainly can choose among so many; and we are not afraid nor ashamed of a thorough examination, and a comparison of our advantages with those of other places.

WOULDN'T INVEST.—Two speculators, share-holders in lower river towns, made their appearance here a few weeks since, in search of speculation. They seemed to be out of humor with White Cloud, and seemed disposed, (in rather a sour-grapish manner, we thought,) to lower her merits beneath those of every mud-hole and sand-bar on the Missouri River. They concluded not to invest here, until a good title was procured, and started for the interior, to take stock in a town (also on Indian lands, and without a title) about which they had heard a great deal, and which was bound to go far ahead of White Cloud. There was a large hotel on the corner of Main and Broadway Streets, and a large store house going up just opposite, and another store house about being commenced opposite the Public Square—together with many other buildings, completed and contemplated. They went—they saw—they mazed! The great town contained just a single one-story house, and a stable! White Cloud breathes fear. Hope she will soon obtain a title, so that these men can invest—she can't get along without them—indeed she can't!

GOVERNOR WALKER.—Hon. ROBERT J. WALKER, left New York, for Kansas, May 11th. He appointed, as his Private Secretary, Mr. E. O. PENNAR, of that city, formerly of Tennessee, and an eloquent American stumpster, during the late Presidential campaign. Gov. WALKER, before leaving New York, made a speech, in which he declared that the Constitution shortly to be formed, must be submitted to a vote of all the inhabitants of the Territory; and that a refusal so to do, would be a gross outrage upon the rights of the people. The experience of former Governors of this Territory, has shown that it is very easy to talk about how they will do before they come here; but doing the business up right after they get here, is quite another thing. We sincerely hope Gov. WALKER may be an exception to this general rule, and that he may be fully able to carry out all his good intentions.

ST. JOSEPH AND COUNCIL BLUFFS PACK-ET.—The people of St. Joseph have for a number of years been endeavoring to secure a boat to run between that city and Council Bluffs; and we are happy to state that this important object has at length been secured. The new and light draught steamer *Watoosa*, Captain G. A. REICHENBERGER, as will be seen by the Card, in another column, will make weekly trips from St. Joseph to White Cloud, Ogahsa, Council Bluffs, and all intermediate points. As she will be devoted exclusively to the trade of the above named points, she should receive all the encouragement within the power of the citizens of those places to bestow. The best of accommodations may be found on board.

LAND AGENTS, AND SURVEYORS.—In our advertising columns, may be found the Card of TORREY & LATTIN, Land Agents and Surveyors, who have opened an office at this place. We can cheerfully recommend them to those who may have any business to intrust to their hands. They will pay particular attention to Surveying Lands and Town Sites. As many new towns are contemplated throughout this portion of the Territory, the Proprietors will find it to their advantage, to call upon TORREY & LATTIN, before employing Surveyors elsewhere.

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WENONA.—This is a town just laid off, seven miles from Iowa Point. An University is being established there, and nothing will be omitted, which can render the town a desirable place for settlers. A sale of lots is about coming off there; the notice of which may be found in another column. The following Circular has been issued by persons interested in the town, which will serve to give an insight into some of the advantages, possessed by the place:—

WENONA.—An Eastern Emigrant Association desirous of securing homes for themselves and families, have located on the head waters of Cedar creek, on the California road from Palermo and St. Joseph to Marysville and Maryville, and St. Joseph, in a country of unsurpassed fertility, Hamby University and the town of Wenona.

The agents of the Association, assisted by those most familiar with the Territory, have selected the present site, at the proposed crossing of the St. Joseph, Palermo and Maryville, and St. Joseph and Nebraska City Railroads, as possessing the special advantages required by the Association for which they are acting.

These were in addition to the chief requisite of a dry, healthy climate, a rolling prairie country, abundance of fuel, nearness to markets, excellence of soil, cheapness of lands, railroad connections, &c.

The soil and climate of Northern Kansas need no words of commendation. Indications of coal have been found adjoining the town site, where there is also an excellent quarry of stone, and the supply at the coal bank within three miles is not only ample, but apparently inexhaustible. Considerable bodies of timber are found on Cedar creek and Wolf river, three miles either side, while there are abundant supplies of timber on the Missouri river within seven miles.

With the St. Joseph, Palermo and Maryville Railroad chartered and all the stock taken, the St. Joseph and Nebraska City Railroad surveyed, the rapid completion of the St. Joseph and Nebraska City Railroad, and the great highway of the Missouri, a distance of only seven miles, we confidently recommend to our neighbors and friends this point as possessing all the advantages that can be reasonably expected in a new country, with many of the conveniences of the older States.

Churches and schools, the indispensable requisites of intelligent emigration have not been neglected. Liberal provisions have been made for the former, while the latter are now being set aside for the use and location of Hamby University, sufficient amount has been appropriated for the construction of suitable buildings.

Contracts are already made for enclosing and ornamenting with evergreens and shrubbery, whilst temporary but substantial school buildings are erected the present season, until the University can be incorporated and endowed with a permanent fund.

Though the special object of our Association is to surround ourselves with our neighbors and friends, kindred in tastes and affinities, we do not propose to exclude any moral well disposed citizen who would enjoy the advantages of our locality. To all such of our fellow-citizens liberal inducements in the way of lots will be offered, whilst to the farmer or agriculturist facilities will be offered by the resident proprietors to secure pre-emption claims, many of which are still vacant in the neighborhood.

That Northern Kansas offers the only available inducement to "pre-emption" is evident from the fact that the tide of emigration following the Missouri River, has sought the country south of the Kansas river, and the country in the immediate vicinity of Wenona comprises the finest bodies of pre-emptible lands in the Territory.

That we shall make a New York or Chicago, we do not pretend, nor do we aim at a transient speculation by the sale of lots, but whilst we expect a remuneration for our investment of capital and labor, we look for it more in the enhanced value of our farms and improvements, than in any temporary scheme of personal profit.

Further information can be obtained by application to BENJAMIN WATLEY, Esq., Richmond, Ind.; BENJAMIN & Co., or BURNHAM & BARNES, Iowa Point, Kansas; MARY & KENNEDY, Palermo, Kansas; or, ISAAC HAMBY, Superintendent of Improvements, Wenona, Kansas.

Being desirous of laying before our readers, all items of interest connected with Kansas affairs, we extract the following, regarding her future, from the Cleveland Plaindealer, of May 12th—a paper in the confidence of the Administration:

Walker is on his way to Kansas. To-day he leaves Washington, having taken the oath of office in that city, and received his budget of instructions from the President and Cabinet.—"Kansas will be a Free State."

SOMETHING FORGOTTEN.—We have not once heard the question of a grave-yard for White Cloud spoken of. But it is so very healthy here, that is no wonder people do not think of grave-yards amid the excitement of other business. There are some beautiful sites for a Cemetery in the neighborhood, and as people may die here occasionally, an institution of the kind spoken of might be favorably located, if undertaken early.

TO BE RECORDED.—It is to be deeply regretted, that the wise act was not passed by the late Congress, reserving one section of land in each Township in Kansas, for agricultural purposes. It is feared, by men of sound judgment, that it will be too late for the next Congress to perfect this measure, as the entire Territory will probably be laid out into Town lots before the first of next December!

CURIOUS ARRIVAL.—The other day a boat stopped at our landing, and a man was seen to come on shore with a trunk. He did not seem to attract much attention at first, but imagine the surprise, a short time afterwards, when it was ascertained that he was not a speculator! It is thought that he will attempt to make an honest living in the Territory. He needs watching!

Will publishers of papers, to whom this number is sent, please favor us with an exchange? We wish to get up a good exchange list, embracing the best papers throughout the Union, to enable us to present our readers with a complete record of events and doings in every part of the Republic.

Mr. WM. CARSON, the gentlemanly Clerk of the fine Steamboat, Alonzo Child, has been the first to favor us with late papers from St. Louis, and other river towns, for which he has our thanks.

The grave of Patrick Henry has until now been destitute of a stone. But, certain Virginians, having recently erected a bronze statue of Henry at Richmond, a few of his relatives have concluded to place a marble slab over his remains.—The slab is three by nine feet—of the purest white American marble, and contains this inscription:—"To the memory of Patrick Henry, born May 29th, 1726, died June 7th, 1799—His fame is his best epitaph."